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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 11-14, and 16-29 are pending in the application including independent claims 1, 2, 13, and 27. Claims 3, 5-7, 9-10, and 15 have been cancelled.

In the final Office Action dated July 26, 2005, claims 13, 14, 16, 17, and 23-26 were allowed, and claims 2, 19, and 20 were indicated as allowable. Claims 27-29 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Reffle. Claims 9, 11, and 12 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Reffle in view of Adam (US 5651748).

In the Advisory Action dated October 17, 2005, the examiner indicated that the 102(b) rejection of claims 27-29 and the 103(a) rejection of claims 9, 11, and 12 had been overcome.

Claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form, and claim 9, which depended directly from claim 1, has been incorporated into claim 1. Thus, Claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 11-14, and 16-29 should now be in condition for allowance.

Claims 1, 4, 8, 18, 21, and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Reffle. This rejection is moot in light of the amendments set forth above.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for one additional independent claim. Applicant asserts that no additional fees are required; however, if any additional fees or extensions of time are required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds.

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